## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 919 By Johnson P

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor George Bernard West.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those individuals who, through valiant military service and dedicated citizenship, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is George Bernard West who has served the Scottsboro community for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. West served with acumen and alacrity at Nashville Electric Service for twenty-five years, earning the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a native of the Scottsboro community, George West was born on April 14, 1940, and graduated from Cumberland High School in 1960; and

WHEREAS, George West dutifully served in the United States Marine Corps Reserve for six years, and he also served two years of active duty; and

WHEREAS, Mr. West courageously served this Nation with distinction during the Vietnam War, fighting to protect the freedoms and principles we all hold dear; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 1967, George West was severely wounded during action in the Nui Loc Son Basin of Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, after the war, Mr. West returned home and attended Middle Tennessee State University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in 1971; he then began his estimable career at Nashville Electric System, retiring in 1996; and

WHEREAS, now raising cattle, hay, and corn on his small farm, George West enjoys the peace of country living; and

WHEREAS, George West epitomizes the spirit, conviction, and commitment that are characteristic of all true Tennesseans, and it is fitting that this legislative body recognize him; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and honor George Bernard West for his dutiful military service, commend him for his service to the good people of the Scottsboro community and the State of Tennessee, and wish him every success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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